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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 3, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2003

The House met at 10:00 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PETRI).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 31, 2003.

I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS E. PETRI to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Eugene F. Hemrick, Diocese of Joliet, Illinois, offered the following prayer:

O Lord, on the walls of our Library of Congress, You tell us, wisdom is the principal thing; therefore, get wisdom; and with all thy getting, get understanding.

As we begin this day, may we dig deeper, ever so little more, to understand the awesome responsibilities we shoulder. May we understand, ever so little more, the difference we make in the lives of our people, our Nation, the world. May we endeavor, ever so little more, to be a person of understanding, always working to clarify, redefine and repeat in order to create better understanding.

Lord, may we take time, be it for only a few moments, to understand Your will in our work. Lord, we have

the saying, give it the old college try, meaning to do our best. May we do our best to understand that our business is really Your business, and in doing so, inspire our Nation with the wisdom and understanding that You are. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. ADERHOLT) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. ADERHOLT led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundegran, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 16. An act to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2003.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the fol-

lowing title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 101. An act to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2003.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 106-286, the Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, and after consultation with the Democratic Leader, appoints the following Members to serve on the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China—

the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS),

the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN),

the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), and

the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN).

The message also announced that pursuant to provisions of Public Law 107-202, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, announces the appointment of the following individuals as members of the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission—

the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER), and Dr. Dennis Wint of Pennsylvania.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL) as Co-Chairman of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki) during the One Hundred Eighth Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as

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